

NOTICIAS DE ANZA

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Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail

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First Arizona Interagency Meeting a Success

Tucson, AZ - On April 13, the first meeting was held to establish an interagency working group for the Arizona portion of the Trail. Participants presented their Trail projects and updates to each other, allowing everyone to exchange ideas, describe challenges, and celebrate success stories.

There was a collaborative spirit among those who attended. By learning about how trail plans and projects were progressing in neighboring counties, participants could make sure the Anza Trail connected at county borders.

Counties and agencies represented:

- National Park Service
- Anza Trail Coalition
- City of Tucson
- Pima County



Hikers enjoying the Anza Trail during the Cabalgata 2004 event from Nogales to Tucson, Arizona.

- Santa Cruz County
- Arizona State Parks
- Town of Marana
- US Army Corp of Engineers
- Town of Sahuarita
- Rivers, Trails & Conservation Assistance Program

- Pinal County
- Maricopa County
- Pima Trail Association

Interagency meetings are an effective way to communicate and understand what partner groups are doing along the 1200 mile Anza Trail. The NPS staff appreciates your efforts and enthusiasm to get the Trail on the ground and work together.

NPS Park Ranger Jeff Axel set up the meeting, contacted the partners, planned the agenda, and arranged the logistics.



Trail Dedicated in Santa Clara County Park

Cupertino, CA - On April 29, the Santa Clara County Parks Department opened a section of the Anza Trail at Rancho San Antonio County Park in Cupertino. The 2.3 mile section features the location from which the Anza expedition spotted the bay. Trail markers direct visitors to the knoll where Anza viewed the area. The new interpretive sign describes the landscape Anza and the members of his party witnessed.

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National Park Service

From the Superintendent



Stanley C. Bond

With David Smith's move to the Grand Canyon some Anza Trail programs have been on hold,

including the Noticias. I am pleased to announce that we now have a new Interpretive Specialist, Margaret Styles. Margaret is very enthusiastic about the Anza trail and has hit the Trail running. You can find out more about her below.

The Anza Trail continues to grow with new dedicated Trail segments in Calabasas, CA and Cupertino, CA. Both of these

segments have excellent interpretive signage. New recreational Trail segments in CA and AZ are currently in the works. The driving section of the Anza Trail in Pima County, AZ has been completely marked, and other counties are ready to put up driving signs.

Copies of the new volume *The Anza Trail and the Settling of*

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National 2005 Tilden Award Winner



Congratulations to David Smith for winning the 2005 National Freeman Tilden Award. David was presented the national award for creating the vibrant "Anza Discovery Trail" outreach education program.

David trained teachers and introduced students to a fun and usable 3rd and 4th grade curriculum-based education program for use along the 1,200 mile Trail. Over 2,000 students used the program in classrooms during 2004-2005. One 3rd grade teacher noted, *"Your workshop gave me the personal and material resources to spark the children's sense of wonder as you had done for us."* ❖

New Interpretive Specialist for National Historic Trail

The Anza trail is no stranger to me. When I enrolled in a new interpretation graduate program in 2003, I met David Smith. Through him, I learned about the Trail and worked on Trail interpretive products with him.

I am a native San Franciscan and grew up within 2 1/2 blocks of campsite #95! As a child, I remember seeing the bronze plaque embedded in the rock near the tennis courts. Little did I know I would grow up to share the Anza expedition with others.

My most recent NPS position was at Eugene O'Neill National Historic Site and Port Chicago National Memorial, both in Contra Costa County, CA.

I look forward to my new adventure and working with all of you, the Trail partners. To assist with interpretive products, public programming, or volunteer issues, please feel free to contact me at (510) 817-1323 or margaret_styles@nps.gov ❖



Margaret Styles

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Deadlines

June 15 for July issue
September 1 for October issue
December 1 for January issue
March 1 for April issue

Anza Trail Ranger Jeff Axel Earns NPS STAR Award

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California by Vladimir Guerrero are now available from Heyday Books (see back page). The Anza Junior Ranger Web site and the Anza Trail guide by Dr. Greg Smestad are both available at www.nps.gov/juba/. Some of our projects this year include updates to the *Web de Anza*, a 10 to 12 minute introductory video to the Anza Expedition, and an Anza Trail marketing plan.

To all of our partners and volunteers, many thanks for all that you do. The Anza trail would not be a reality without all of your dedication and hard work. I wish we could visit with you more often, but please know that your efforts are appreciated.

Happy Trails. ❖



Anza plaque for campsite #95 in Mt. Lake Park, San Francisco, CA. Photo: Wolfgang Schubert

Noticias Submissions Wanted!

As you can see, this issue of *Noticias de Anza* is...limited. Submissions are gladly accepted throughout the year to include your projects, upcoming programs, trail dedications, special events, and anything else you want to share with other Anza Trail enthusiasts. Digital photographs with photographer's name are highly encouraged.

The submission deadline schedule will always be listed under the issue citation (page 2 in this issue). The next deadline is June 15 for the July issue. ❖

Jeff Axel was hired part-time from Tumacácori National Historical Park near Tubac, AZ to work on the Anza Trail this winter. He collaborated with local partners in the Tucson, AZ area and arranged for trail



Jeff Axel

building projects with community volunteers. This was the first time the NPS was able to hire an employee in the Tucson area to focus on Arizona projects. This was very helpful to both the NPS Anza Trail office in Oakland, CA and the local Arizona partners. For his efforts, Superintendent Stanley Bond presented Jeff with an NPS STAR Award in April.

For the summer, Jeff returns to eastern Washington State for his District Interpretive Ranger job at Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area. He plans to return to the Tucson area next winter to focus on managing the Arizona area Anza Trail projects and programs from November to April. ❖

ANUNCIOS

San Francisco, California

Padados del Presidio: Commemorating the Presidio's Past Through Music, Dance & Lure

June 27 - 30 - Presidio's 230th Anniversary

Evening Lectures - Presidio Officer's Club 7-8 pm

27th - Talk & book signing by Vladimir Guerrero, author of recently published *The Anza Trail and the Settling of California*

29th - Anza Trail programs & projects, Dr. Lee Davis

Special Events

27th, 11-noon - Los Californianos Celebration at Main Post Flagpole

30th, 11-4 pm - Passport Through Time: Kid's activities at Officer's Club

30th, 7-9pm - Evening Fandango at Officer's Club

See your announcement here!

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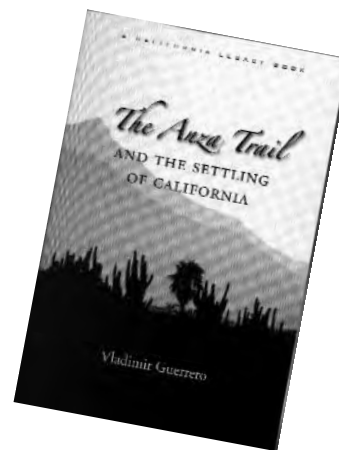
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Views from the Anza Trail - Salinas Trail, Paso Robles, California



Community members in the Asascadero and Paso Robles area of California working along the Anza Trail with cleanup, trail building, and restoration planting. The trail segment near the photo above was opened on April 3, 2006.



New Anza Expedition Book!

*The Anza Trail and the Settling of
California* by Vladimir Guerrero

Available online in May 2006!

Trade Paper

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\$16.95

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drawings throughout

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